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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to respond to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2004, for one (1) month. This petition is filed to maintain copendency for a divisional application being filed today.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of \$110.00 for one month of extension fees. Also, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>08-1641</u>, referencing Attorney's Docket No. <u>39754-0791 A</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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